Reply of Government.—This was done at the instance of the District Board. If the District Board will recommend the reduction in the rates of fines, the rates will be reduced.

SUBJECT No. 236.

Rewards for taking cattle to pounds.

Mr. M. K. Krishnamurti Rao, Mad[illegible]di taluk.

Summary of discussion.—According to the recent rules approved by Government, rewards are being paid in the Bangalore City to persons taking cattle to the pound thereby opening a means to idle and mischievous people to pay for their drinks. Such men make it a profession to drive into the pound, any cattle they may come across. Obstruction caused to these persons, while taking cattle to the pound, is criminally punished. As, owing to this rule much difficulty is experienced by people keeping cattle, it is requested that this matter may be kindly reconsidered and the rule cancelled.

Reply of Government.—This should be represented to the City Municipal Council. Unless the Municipal Council recommends the abolition of the reward system after consulting the Civil and Military Station Municipality, Government cannot cancel the order already passed.

SUBJECT No. 237.

[illegible]ost of construction and repairs of dispensaries.

[illegible] Yajaman Rama Bhatta, Ka[illegible]ur District Board.

Mr.

Summary of discussion.—The cost of construction and repairs of L. F. dispensaries may be entirely debited to Provincial Funds, as the District Boards are unable to bear their share on account of their limited income.

Reply of Government.—Cannot be done.

SUBJECT No. 238.

[illegible]xclusion of small villages from Unions.

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M. Ananthiah Chetty, Chitaldrug Municipality.

Mr.

Summary of discussion.—Two or more villages are often clubbed together in order to make up the prescribed number in the population for the purpose of making a Union. This is felt as a hardship by the inhabitants of villages containing 400 or 500 people. It is requested that the population of only the major village may be taken into consideration.

Reply of Government.—This should be discussed in the District Board. Government generally take action according to the recommendation of the District Board.

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SUBJECT No. 239.

Gr[illegible]t of vacant sites.

Mr. M. Ananthiah Chetty, Chitaldrug Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—According to Section 40 of the Municipal Regulation, the power of granting vacant sites in Municipalities is vested in Government. The Municipal Council is powerless to grant even a yard of ground. This is not only inconvenient, but entails a lot of correspondence and delay. It is therefore prayed that the power of granting vacant sites may be delegated to the Council or the Deputy Commissioner.

Reply of Government.—The subject is under consideration.